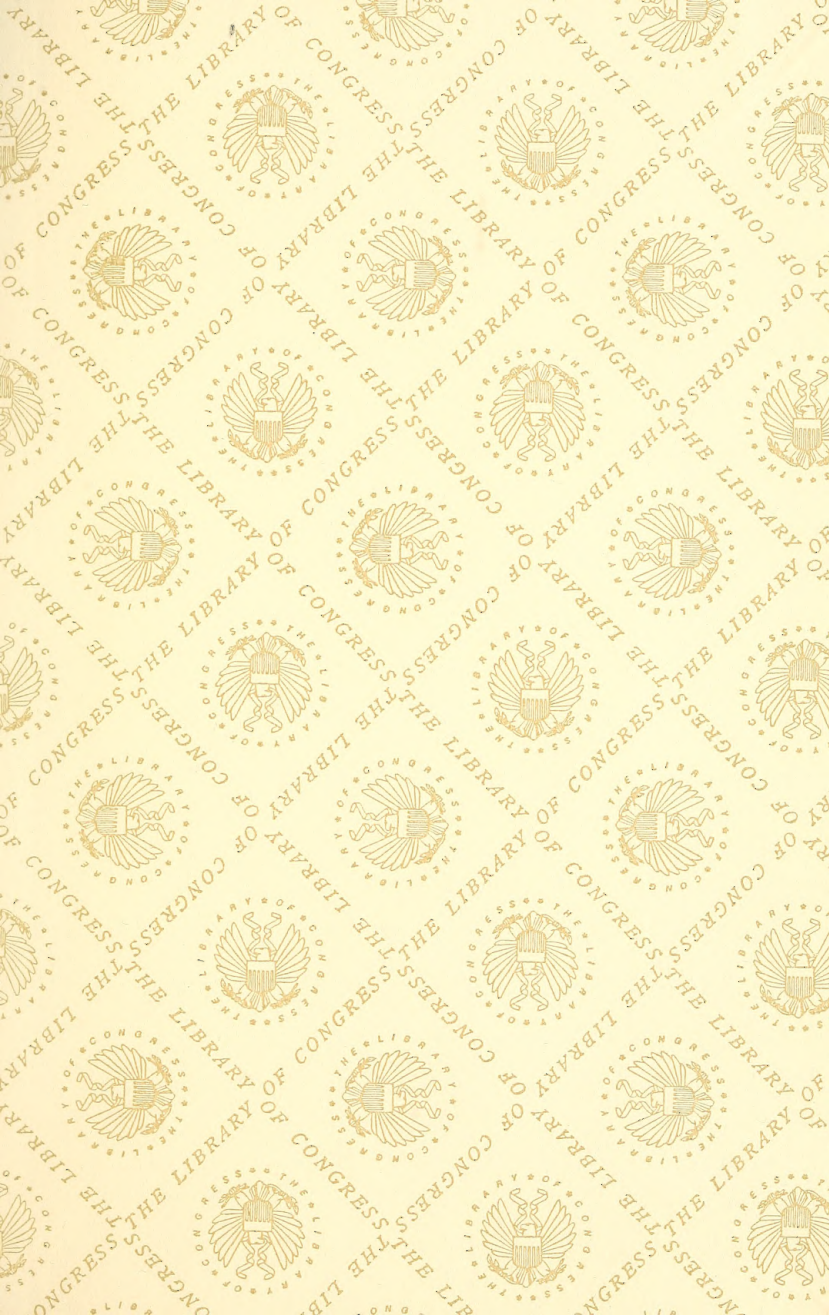


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ONCE upon a time, and a very good time it was, too, a trusty Watch Dog, who was left, in the absence of his master, to guard the household, had a struggle with a worthless Tramp. The Tramp, worsted in the contest, and smarting with pain and the sting of defeat, said, "Well, if I cannot beat you I can at least give you a bad name." Thereupon he ran through the streets

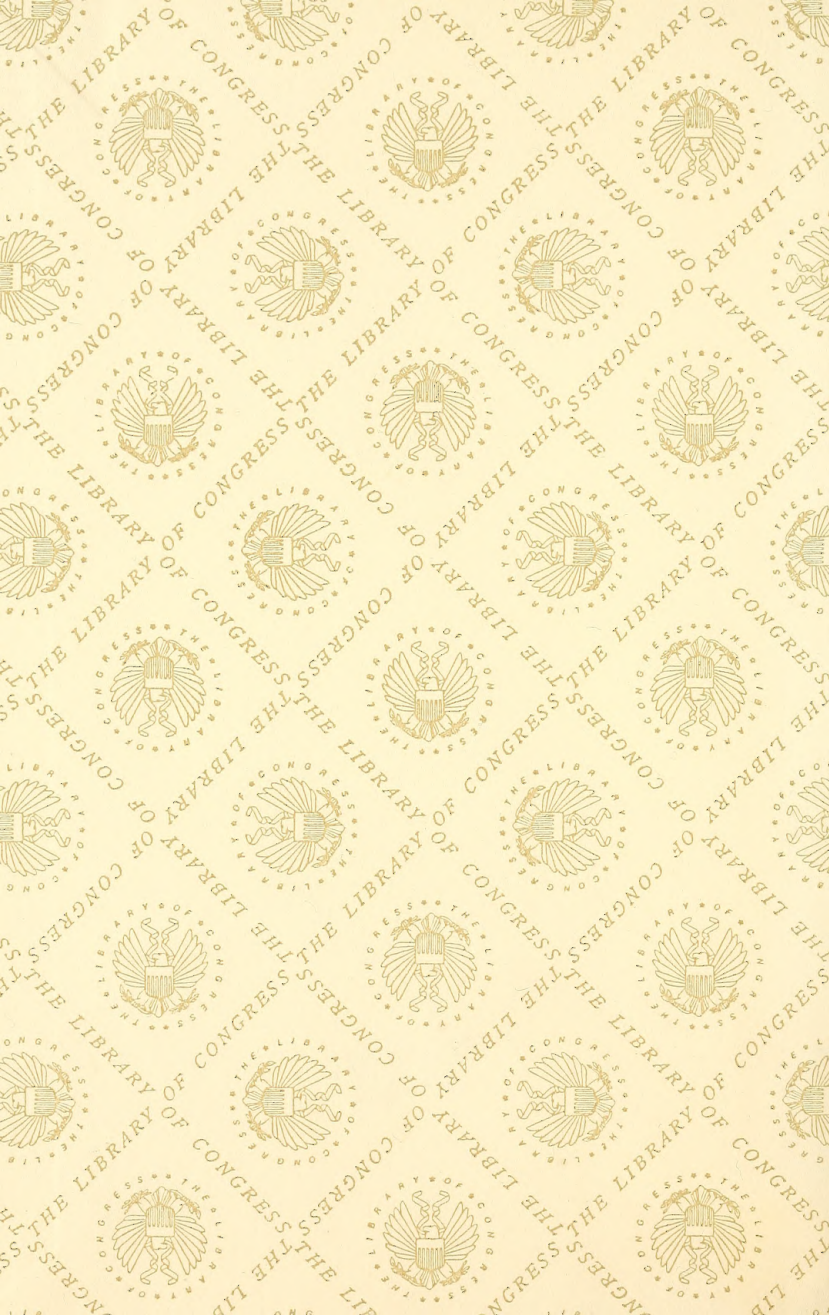
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and byways of the town crying at the top of his voice, so that all might hear, "Bad Dog! Bad Dog!" The credulous people, none too nice in distinguishing the differences in sounds, and deceived into thinking the dog was "mad," set upon the trusty Watch Dog and stoned him to death. And the worthless Tramp went on his way rejoicing, for that not only had he his revenge for his defeat, but he was in a better plight for getting into the kitchen on his next coming into that town.

SEQUEL.

The unwary people, such was their haste, did not stone to death the trusty Watch Dog, but another dog that chanced to be passing through the town at that time.

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